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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of Claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of facilitating the correction of an incorrect hyperlink contained in a file stored on a first network server at an address identified by a first resource locator and which hyperlink points to a second resource locator at a second network server, the method comprising:

copying said file from said first network server to a browser of a client computer via the network;

selecting said hyperlink at the browser so as to transmit a resource locator retrieval request from the browser to said second network server;

receiving said request at the second network server and responding by returning to the browser a resource locator error message; ~~and~~

automatically transmitting the resource locator error message from the browser to said first network server; and

wherein in the event there is a corrected resource locator provided by said second network server, transmitting said corrected resource locator with said error message.

2. (Original) A method according to claim1, wherein the error message transmitted from the browser to the first network server includes said first resource locator.

3. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 1, wherein the error message transmitted from the browser to the first network server includes said second resource locator.

4. (Cancelled)

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5. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 1, wherein the network to which the servers and the client computer are connected is the Internet, and said resource locators are Universal Resource Locators (URLs).
6. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 1, wherein the file containing the incorrect hyperlink is an HTML file.
7. (Original) A method according to claim 6, wherein said browser is a Web browser.
8. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 1, wherein the first network server, upon notification of an incorrect hyperlink from a client's browser, automatically transmits a resource locator download request to the incorrect resource locator.
9. (Currently Amended) Apparatus for facilitating the correction of an incorrect hyperlink contained in an electronic file, the apparatus comprising;
- a first network server having a memory for storing said file at an address identified by a first resource locator, said hyperlink pointing to a second resource locator at a second network server;
 - a client computer arranged to copy said file from said first network server to a browser of the client computer, via the network, and to transmit a resource locator retrieval request from the browser to said second network server upon selection of said hyperlink; and
 - a second network server arranged to receive said request and to respond by returning to said browser an error message,
- wherein the client computer is further arranged to transmit the error message, from the browser, to said first network server and wherein said error message contains a corrected resource locator provided by the second network server.

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10. (Currently Amended) A computer memory encoded with executable instructions representing a computer program for causing a computer system connected to a data network to:

transmit a resource locator retrieval request to a first network server over a data network;

download an electronic file from the first network server and which is stored at an address identified by said resource locator, the file containing a hyperlink pointing to a resource locator at a second network server;

in response to selection of the hyperlink, transmit a resource locator retrieval request to said second network server;

in the event that the second mentioned resource locator is incorrect, to receive from the second network server an error message; and

transmit the error message to said first network server wherein in the event a corrected resource locator is associated with said resource locator, providing said corrected resource locator with said error message.